

States as an adult and applied to reactivate his permanent residency. It was granted and he enlisted in the Army. A few years later, the Board of Immigration Appeals reversed its decision and ordered Sergeant Bojorquez deported.

For several years he filed motions and appeals, and in a final attempt to become a citizen of this country, Manuel contacted the President on July 12, 1994, and requested that he designate the Persian Gulf war a period of military hostility which would allow active duty aliens, such as himself, to apply for naturalization.

Despite the concern, support, and assistance of Representative CRAMER and myself, 2 weeks before Thanksgiving the District Director of the Immigration and Naturalization Service informed Manuel he would be deported on February 1, 1995. With little hope left, Manuel contacted the President again and finally his prayers were answered.

Impressed by Manuel's commitment to serving his adopted country, the President passed an Executive order which not only allows Manuel to become a citizen, but also includes other active duty aliens who fought in the Persian Gulf war. This young, vibrant family man proved to us all that the American dream still lives.

Manuel's selfless dedication to defending our country, which he could not call his own until today, is a superior example to all American citizens. I applaud him for his tireless efforts and I thank him for the reminder of how lucky we are to live in this great Nation.

REPORT OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND ESTONIA RELATIVE TO FISHERIES—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT—PM-1

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; referred jointly, pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 1823(b), to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, and to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

To the Congress of the United States

In accordance with the Magnuson Fishery Conservation and Management Act of 1976 (16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*), I transmit herewith the Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Estonia Extending the Agreement of June 1, 1992, Concerning Fisheries Off the Coasts of the United States. The Agreement, which was effected by an exchange of notes at Tallinn on March 11 and May 12, 1994, extends the 1992 Agreement to June 30, 1996.

In light of the importance of our fisheries relationship with the Republic of Estonia, I urge that the Congress give favorable consideration to this Agreement at an early date.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, January 19, 1995.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second time by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. GRASSLEY:

S. 243. A bill to provide greater access to civil justice by reducing costs and delay, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. NUNN (for himself, Mr. ROTH, Mr. GLENN, Mr. BOND, Mr. BUMPERS, Mr. PRESSLER, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. JOHNSTON, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. HOLLINGS, Mr. NICKLES, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. WARNER, Mr. ROBB, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. BRYAN, Mr. SMITH, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. MACK, Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN, and Mr. SHELBY):

S. 244. A bill to further the goals of the Paperwork Reduction Act to have Federal agencies become more responsible and publicly accountable for reducing the burden of Federal paperwork on the public, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. COHEN (for himself, Mr. DOLE, Mr. SIMPSON, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. D'AMATO, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. COATS, Mr. GREGG, Mr. WARNER, Mr. NICKLES, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. BOND, Mr. CHAFEE, Mr. FORD, and Mr. DOMENICI):

S. 245. A bill to provide for enhanced penalties for health care fraud, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN:

S. 246. A bill to establish demonstration projects to expand innovations in State administration of the aid to families with dependent children under title IV of the Social Security Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GREGG (for himself and Mr. COCHRAN):

S. 247. A bill to improve senior citizen housing safety; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. GREGG (for himself, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. LOTT, Mr. GRAMM, Mr. NICKLES, and Mr. WARNER):

S. 248. A bill to delay the required implementation date for enhanced vehicle inspection and maintenance programs under the Clean Air Act and to require the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to reissue the regulations relating to the programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself, Mr. BROWN, Mr. D'AMATO, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 249. A bill to amend title IV of the Social Security Act to require States to establish a 2-digit fingerprint matching identification system in order to prevent multiple enrollments by an individual for benefits under such Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MCCONNELL:

S. 250. A bill to amend chapter 41 of title 28, United States Code, to provide for an analysis of certain bills and resolutions pending before the Congress by the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MCCAIN:

S. 251. A bill to make provisions of title IV of the Trade Act of 1974 applicable to Cambodia; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. THOMPSON (for himself, Mr. ASHCROFT, Mr. ABRAHAM, Mr. BOND, Mr. BROWN, Mr. BURNS, Mr. COVERDELL, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. FAIRCLOTH, Mr. FRIST, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. MACK, Mr. PACKWOOD, Mr. SMITH, and Mr. THOMAS):

S.J. Res. 21. A joint resolution proposing a constitutional amendment to limit congressional terms; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GRAMS (for himself, Mr. LOTT, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. THOMAS, and Mr. MACK):

S.J. Res. 22. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to require a balanced budget; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. DORGAN:

S. Con. Res. 2. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that the People's Republic of China should purchase a majority of its imported wheat from the United States in order to reduce the trade imbalance between the People's Republic of China and the United States; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SIMON (for himself and Mr. BROWN)

S. Con. Res. 3. A concurrent resolution relative to Taiwan and the United Nations; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. GRASSLEY:

S. 243. A bill to provide greater access to civil justice by reducing costs and delay, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

THE CIVIL JUSTICE REFORM ACT OF 1995

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I rise today to introduce legislation to reform America's Federal Civil Justice System. The purpose of this bill, the Civil Justice Reform Act of 1995, is to improve deserving parties' access to the Federal courts by reducing the volume of frivolous cases, to reduce the costs of Federal civil litigation, and to encourage the settlement of disputes. It is similar to the bill introduced by Senator DECONCINI and myself in March 1993.

This bill introduces some modest reforms that will reduce the economic and social costs our society has borne due to the litigation explosion. Our society spends billions of dollars every year on civil lawsuits. More than \$1 billion goes just to pay for the Federal district courts, which handle hundreds of thousands of civil cases annually. It has become clear to most Americans that our system of dispute resolution through adversarial lawsuits has gotten out of hand, and reason needs to be restored to it. More litigation does not necessarily translate into more justice.